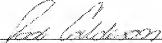


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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 17, 2006, a one month extension of time being hereby requested with fee attached, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Argument** begin on page 8 of this paper.